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SUBJECT: LIFTING OF OIL BOYCOTT IN SAUDI PRESS

1. AFTER DAYS OF MAJOR FRONT PAGE ATTENTION, THE LIFTING OF THE OIL BOYCOTT BECAME AFTER THE FACT ON MARCH 20 A SUBJECT OF RELATIVELY MUCH LESS ATTENTION. ONE PAPER MARCH 20 FRONT-PAGED REACTION TO THE LIFTING FROM AROUND THE WORLD (INCLUDING SOME NEGATIVE COMMENT) BUT THE MAJOR STORY ON THE SUBJECT WAS A WIRE SERVICE REPORT OF COMMENTS REPORTEDLY MADE BY MINPET YAMANI IN A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW WITH CBS IN NEW YORK. HE QUOTED AS SAYING THE BOYCOTT AGAINST THE U.S. WILL NOT BE REIN- STATED EXCEPT FOR VERY SERIOUS CAUSE SUCH AS USG STOPPING
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OR SLACKING EFFORTS TO ATTAIN A JUST PEACE. HE ALSO

QUOTED AS SAYING THERE WAS NO MAJOR DISAGREEMENT WITH LIBYA AND SYRIA OVER LIFTING OF BOYCOTT AS THEY AGREED IN PRINCIPLE BUT HAD OBJECTION AS REGARDS TIMING. THERE HAS BEEN NO EDITORIAL COMMENT ON LIFTING BOYCOTT, NOR DID OFFICIAL SAUDI RADIO REPORT THE SUBJECT ON BROADCASTS EVENING MARCH 19 AND MORNING MARCH 20.

2. THOUGH WE DON'T RULE OUT FUTURE PRESS COMMENT, WE SUSPECT SAG MAY BE USING ITS DIRECT CONTROL OF BROADCASTING AND VERY CONSIDERABLE INFLUENCE OVER THE PRESS TO KEEP THIS SUBJECT MUTED. THE SUBJECT HAS BEEN CONTROVERSIAL ENOUGH FOR THE SAG WITHOUT HAVING IT AIRED FURTHER IN THE LOCAL PRESS.

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